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History professor files lawsuit

Caitlin Ryder
News Editor

Maurice Eisenstein, a history and political science tenure professor, filed a lawsuit Aug. 1 against the Purdue University board of trustees after his civil rights were allegedly dismissed during a sexual harassment investigation and sentencing.

Kristine Mihalic, a secretary for history and political science department, filed sexual harassment charges against Eisenstein. Mihalic reported that alleged sexual comments made while in her CLO office violated the Purdue Anti-

Harassment Policy, according to the lawsuit.

Mihalic was unavailable for comment at time of publication.

Eisenstein could not comment on the pending case, but said he stands by his allegations in the filed complaint.

Eisenstein's attorney, Edward Hearn, was also unavailable for comment by the time of publication.

The lawsuit states Victor Holden, associate director of equal opportunity/diversity, conducted an investigation of Mihalic's charges.

After a preliminary panel meeting of the Advisory Committee on Equity to discuss the inves-

tigation and charges, the lawsuit states that panel member Alysa Rollock, Purdue University's vice president for human relations, wrapped up the case on May 18.

Eisenstein alleges Purdue officials violated Indiana's Open Door Law because he was allegedly uninformed of when the disciplinary panel would discuss his case, as stated in the lawsuit.

He also alleges the meeting was held in secret, and he was not allowed to bring evidence on his behalf.

The Open Door Law guarantees a governing body must allow the public the right to attend the meeting, to post at least 48 hours

prior notice of the date and time of meetings. Records must also be kept of the discussed agenda.

Purdue officials allege Eisenstein received prior notice of the meeting's place and time.

According to the lawsuit, Purdue admits Eisenstein was not allowed to attend the entire panel meeting and interview Mihalic.

Purdue's attorneys at Stuart & Branigin were not available for comment as of publication time. Wes Lukoshus, assistant vice chancellor for advancement, was also not available for comment by time of publication.

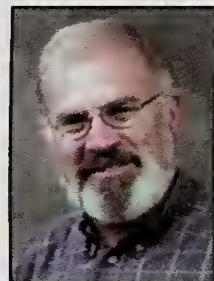
Eisenstein alleges Holden and Rollock did not interview witnesses Julie Osborn, of the English

department, and Elizabeth Rodriguez, a secretary for the English and philosophy department.

Rodriguez and Osborn were unavailable for comment.

The lawsuit states Eisenstein was issued a "written reprimand."

He then appealed the reprimand to former PU President Martin Jischke, which was denied on June 19.



Eisenstein

Evolution of the college search process

A survey shows the differences between two generations' collegiate needs

Brian Bultema
Assistant News Editor

While PUC virtually exists in many students' backyards, freshman Adrianna Soverall found the university through a more traditional college search.

Soverall decided on PUC over five other colleges because of its location and the ease of the admissions process.

Soverall arrived in Northwest Indiana late August from the British Virgin Islands. She said she chose PUC to experience a university setting.

"I came here partly to find some different scenery," Soverall said. "I'm tired of the same old thing."

Soverall is part of the growing majority of college students who say they spent "a lot of time and energy" conducting their college searches, according to a recent survey at the Key Education Resources.

In the survey, students and parents were interviewed about their priorities during the college search.

According to KER, students spend far more energy than their parents did during the college search.

Today's students care much more about academics and their campus environment than convenience or proximity, the study states. The study noted students are becoming more concerned about being knowledgeable rather than just landing a job after graduation.

Paul McGuinness, PUC director of admissions and recruitment, believes this shift in student's attitudes stems directly from an increase in parental involvement.

"The millennial generation is being guided heavily by their baby boomer parents," McGuinness said.

Many students today are second or third-generation college students, and McGuinness believes parents are now able to give guidance to their children.

First-generation college students must often navigate their college search alone because of their parent's inexperience, McGuinness said.

A recent survey conducted by College Board discovered 30 percent of incoming college freshmen wanted more parental involvement during the college search process. Another 60 percent are content with their parent's level of involvement in their college search.

Oscar Pulido, a second semes-

ter freshman, said he spent little time searching out colleges. Pulido said his family helped him through the application process. Without his mother and brother, Pulido said he's unsure if he would even be in school right now.

Like Pulido, many PUC students do not conduct a traditional college search. Yet this is becoming increasingly rare, according to the KER.

The shift in students' priorities from convenience and proximity to campus, to academic programs and a positive campus environment mean more time spent by both parents and students during the college search process.

That is good news to students like Soverall who think more stu-

dents should seek the full college experience rather than just a degree.

After searching for more than a year to eventually find PUC, Soverall said she feels confident about making the right choice.

"I completed my whole college search by myself," Soverall said. "I can now help any other student who is going through the process."

Efforts that parents put into searching for colleges:

	Parents %	Students %
A lot of time and energy	4	20
A fair amount of time and energy	8	33
Some time and energy	11	23
Very little time and energy	26	15
They didn't help me at all	51	10

Source: Key Education Resources

SUCCESS

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Mike Schaefer

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE**Campus demonstrates its emergency preparedness next week****(SEPTEMBER 17-22)**

It was March, 2006 when Purdue Calumet held its first emergency preparedness tabletop training exercise. Monthly exercises have occurred since.

Additionally, to advance emergency preparedness, our campus has...

- organized an Emergency Response Team;
- established an Emergency Notification System;
- developed an Emergency Crisis Management Plan, including an addendum relating to pandemic flu;
- published an Emergency Response Guide accessible in each campus office and classroom;
- compiled emergency supply kits;
- introduced a homeland security course last January; and
- partnered last spring with the Lake County Emergency Planning Committee to host a mock emergency drill on campus.

Our campus also has developed contingency relocation plans for key campus business operations in the event of a power outage, such as what occurred here late last month. What's more, some \$1.4 million is being invested in upgrading emergency generator capabilities around campus.

Managing risks and consequences

Purdue Calumet will take its emergency preparedness commitment to the campus next week (Sept. 17-22), when we observe National Emergency Preparedness Month.

A comprehensive array of events, exercises and tests of various components of the campus' Emergency Notification System will take place to increase awareness among students, faculty, staff and community members of how as a campus we are preparing for the unwanted. Purdue Calumet also will introduce its new emergency preparedness web site: www.calumet.purdue.edu/emergency

"While we are unable to prevent emergencies, crises and other unfortunate occurrences that may adversely affect our campus, we can take proactive steps to manage risks and consequences," Purdue Calumet Chancellor Howard Cohen said. "Practice really does improve performance as we learned last month in dealing with weather-related power outages around campus."

Involve, inform & familiarize campus

"Purdue Calumet's emergency preparedness observance is a wonderful opportunity to involve, inform and familiarize our campus community and neighborhood with various aspects of our campus Emergency Preparedness Plan," Assistant Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Mike Kull said. "Preparation drives emergency response."

Kull coordinates our campus emergency preparedness efforts with instructor and emergency response expert Dean Larson. Larson offers an extensive emergency preparedness background in industry and is active in various regional and statewide emergency preparedness initiatives and organizations.

He also directs Purdue Calumet's monthly emergency tabletop training exercises, including "fishbowl" events. Two such exercises are scheduled next week—see the schedule below—with the campus community invited to attend.

Campus schedule of National Preparedness Week activities

Following is our complete schedule of Emergency Preparedness Week activities:

- **Monday, Sept. 17** — host Northwest Indiana Colleges and Universities Emergency Preparedness Planning Meeting (also involving Indiana University Northwest, Ivy Tech State College, Calumet College of St. Joseph, Purdue University North Central and Valparaiso University), Calumet Conference Center, 8 a.m. Testing of electronic messaging, 8 a.m. Testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (Anderson, Classroom Office and Potter buildings), 10 a.m.
- **Tuesday, Sept. 18** — Emergency Tabletop Fishbowl Exercise, Student Union & Library-Alumni Hall, 9:30 a.m. Continued testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (Powers, Gyte and Gyte Annex buildings), 1 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Sept. 19** — Emergency Tabletop Fishbowl Exercise for student residents of The University Village, 5 p.m.. Continued testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (Lawshe, Student Union & Library and Porter buildings), 9 a.m.
- **Thursday, Sept. 20** — Presentation by emergency preparedness expert/instructor Dean Larson, Student Union & Library-Alumni Hall, 10 a.m. Continued testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (University Village, Fitness & Recreation Center, Riley Child Center, Calumet Conference Center), 1:30 p.m.
- **Friday, Sept. 21** — Continued testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (University Police, University Services, Entrepreneurship Center and Community Services Buildings), 9 a.m.
- **Saturday, Sept. 22** — Continued testing of Emergency Notification Public Address System & fire alarm (all academic buildings), 10 a.m.

**What's Going On?
A Look Around...****"The Ultimate Road Trip" Program**

On Sept. 26 at 12 p.m. the New Student Orientation office will be sponsoring "The Ultimate Road Trip." The presentation will discuss what PUC students can do to get the most out of their college career. Topics include how to succeed in college classes, find internships and jobs and how to get involved on campus.

Suicide Prevention Week

Suicide Prevention Week is Sept. 10 - 13. Visit the information booth and learn more about suicide prevention.

The information booth will be located in the SUL concourse Sept. 10 and 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the CLO concourse Sept. 12 and 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 989-2366.

Chancellor's Reading Circle

Join the Chancellor's Reading Circle on Oct. 17 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Kuiper House, the Chancellor's residence, located one block from campus.

Faculty member, Samuel Liles, will facilitate a discussion of the book "Wheels: A Story of Growing Up" by Doug Grosjean. Interested students may register at the SUL 104-B (next to the game room). Books are free.

Hewlett Packard at PUC

The Society of Women Engineers is hosting an HP info session in Gyte 107 at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 13. Students are encouraged to bring resume copies.

On Sept. 14 students have the opportunity to interview for possible jobs, internships and co-ops.

E-mail swe.puc@gmail.com with any question about HP event or joining SWE.

Edge Thursday Night Meeting

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship at PUC is sponsoring the Edge every Thursday night in the cafeteria at 8 p.m. Come for worship, discussion and a message with a different topic every week.

Thrilling Thursdays Kick-Off

Student Activities is holding Thrilling Thursday karaoke night on Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. in the Calumet Falls Lounge. Come sing or sit back and eat some popcorn and watch entertainment.

For more information, please contact Student Activities at 219-989-2369 or studentactivities@calumet.purdue.edu.

The Second City comedy theatre is coming to PUC

Chicago's comedy theatre The Second City will appear at PUC on Friday, Sept. 14. The performance will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in Alumni Hall. Light snacks will be served during a 15-minute intermission. Tickets are \$15 and \$20. Admission is open to the general public. For details, call the alumni office at 989-2308.

On campus training

On Thursday, Sept. 13 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in SUL 321, John Feeney, an occupational health and safety specialist, will be teaching "Right to Know" training for student employees. The workshop deals with workplace hazard training for on-campus student employment. For more information, contact Lorraine Fiordelisi at Career Services Coordinator/Student Employment, 989-2529 or email fiordeli@calumet.purdue.edu. Class size is limited to 38 people per session.

Submitting Briefs

Anyone interested in publicizing events, organizations, clubs or departments in "What's Going On?" must submit briefs the Monday before publication. The Chronicle does not guarantee placement of briefs submitted.

Please limit submissions to four sentences and include the first and last name of the contact person.

Briefs may be submitted via e-mail at chronicle@calumet.purdue.edu or campus cc: mail - Chronicle or to the newsroom located in the Student Union and Library building, room 344H.

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Lawsuit sparks column Student housing addition to enhance campus living

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A recently completed seven-part column series discusses former graduate students Darwin West, Jeffrey Ford and a lawsuit against four PUC professors.

Mike Adams, a criminology professor at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, spans the discrimination case in detail at townhall.com in his series "Of Mice and Mormons."

The column series has rapidly collected hits and comments from all over the country, according to David French, Ford's attorney.

The series discusses the case in detail, with most of the information coming directly from Ford, said Adams — who kept in contact with him while writing the columns.

Ford is suing four PUC faculty members for alleged discrimination against his first amendment rights, highlighting freedom of speech and religion. French said West contacted him after hearing about Ford's case.

Adams never covered a topic like Ford's case before, but said he was intrigued after hearing about the situation. Adams said he needed to write about it after hearing the alleged criticism Ford received from faculty members for his letter to the editor submitted to The Times newspaper.

Adams said what really struck

him were the professors' alleged attempts to make Ford apologize for his beliefs.

Adams is currently teaching a course on evidence collecting and said he was amazed at the amount of documentation Ford kept during the alleged ordeal.

Ford kept a detailed journal of notes from meetings with professors, Adams said. Ford allowed the professors to read through what he wrote and then asked the professors to sign in assurance to the accuracy of his notes. Adams said Ford can use this as recorded recollection in court.

Adams said he thinks PUC chose wrongly when they decided to follow the American Psychology Association guidelines instead of the U.S. Constitution.

"The Constitution is supreme. My great-grandfather and grandfather died for this," Adams said.

Adams said he was surprised by the audacity of a public institution to be "so narrow-minded" and to have such "constitutional ignorance."

Read "Of Mice and Mormons" at www.townhall.com/columnists/Mike-SAdams



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Phase II of the University Village will begin in spring 2008 and is estimated to cost \$21.1 million.

Brandon Thomas
Senior Staff Writer

The amount of students living on campus is expected to double by autumn 2009. Phase II of the University Village will be built to further accommodate the growing need for student housing.

The new building will be similar to the current housing complex with some two-bedroom units. The complex will feature a new L-shape design, a change from the former T-shape. It will be built in between the current UV and armory building running parallel to 173rd Street.

"Things have gone so well, and we are excited to be able to meet the needs of students," Student Housing Director Chanda Hott said.

The 369 beds will break up into

86 four-bedroom units, 12 two-bedroom units and one single bedroom unit, reserved for the resident housing director.

The Phase II inspiration came from PUC's ongoing expansion in recruitment and the demand by students to live on campus. PUC currently recruits in the Chicago area but will soon be advancing to metropolitan areas within 300 miles of the university.

International demand for student housing has been on a rise with an increase of nearly 100 students over the last year, as the waiting list for students to live in the UV increased from 40 in 2006 to 55 this semester.

"We all anticipated that when the UV was built it would become so popular that there would need to be another," said Wes Lukoshus, assistant vice chancellor for advancement.

Phase II will cost \$21.1 million and will be funded through a 30-year student facility system revenue bond — the same means for funding the original project. The bond will be paid back over the allotted time by the rent money raised from its residents, and remain exempt from taxation.

The state of Indiana will not allow more than 10 percent of attendees to be housed on campus because of PUC's status as a regional university. Phase II will move PUC significantly closer to this amount.

The second phase moves PUC closer to becoming a community of students which means furthering the development of student organizations and activities on campus, Lukoshus said.

The groundbreaking is scheduled to take place in mid-Spring 2008.

CTIS Connection

Information Technology Services at Purdue University Calumet

Technical Assistance for Students

Over the past year, many technology changes were made to better serve student technology needs. The CTIS Customer Service Center (CSC) is available to assist students. Students may contact the CSC for technology related assistance.

Although there are several methods of contacting the CSC, the preferred method is via web requests. You may submit a request at <http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/ctis/> and click on Request Service Now. You will need your login username. All student requests will be responded to via your NetMail account. If you are not able to access your NetMail account, you will need to leave alternate contact information. Requests may take between 24 to 48 hours to complete. Please include the nature of the request and a contact phone number when placing a request.

Alternate forms of submitting requests are via personal visit at Gyte 133, e-mail at csc@calumet.purdue.edu, or by telephone at 219-989-2888, option 2.

Visit the CSSC in Gyte 133 to pick up a Student Computing Resource Guide. This handy booklet contains information relating to placing service requests and the technology available to students on campus as listed below.

Student Technology Resources

- Additional computing resources available in the Gyte Learning Commons
- 50 MB of network storage space.
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- Online access to your student records.
- Space for group projects in the Gyte and Powers Labs.
- Free McAfee Anti-virus software.
- Access to computers and specialized software in over 34 computer labs.
- Consulting services through the Gyte and Powers Computer Lab
- Ability to purchase computer software at minimum prices in the bookstore.
- Wireless access to the campus network.

Information on these services can be obtained online as well as through the CSC in Gyte 133 and the Gyte and Powers Labs.

www.calumet.purdue.edu/ctis

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Who wants to play?



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Members of the English as a Second Language program gather to play a game of Taboo in the TV room in Calumet Falls.

Department adds new Spanish programs

Separate classes start for heritage and non-heritage speakers

Linda Merrick
Managing Editor

The department of foreign languages and literatures added two new programs this semester for students majoring in Spanish international studies.

"The new bachelor of arts Spanish International Studies offers two distinct plans of study: one for the heritage and one for non-heritage speakers of Spanish.

"The new [degree] promises to prepare our students for international careers in today's global world," said Janet Navarro, a professor and adviser in the Foreign Language department.

Heritage and non-heritage speakers were all connected in one program, before the switch.

"The heritage speakers were way above and it came apparent to separate them," said Navarro. "It has been in the works for a while [to separate the two]."

The heritage and non-heritage programs will help accommodate students who speak Spanish as their first language and students who do not, Professor Jose Castro-Urioste said.

The heritage program focuses on those who speak Spanish as their first language. It will allow the student to skip basic Spanish courses and other classes focusing on conversing with the language.

The non-heritage program is offered to students who have English or another language as their first language. In this program, students start out with conversation courses, such as beginner, intermediate and advanced Spanish conversation courses. The heritage program will skip to advanced conversation and grammar classes.

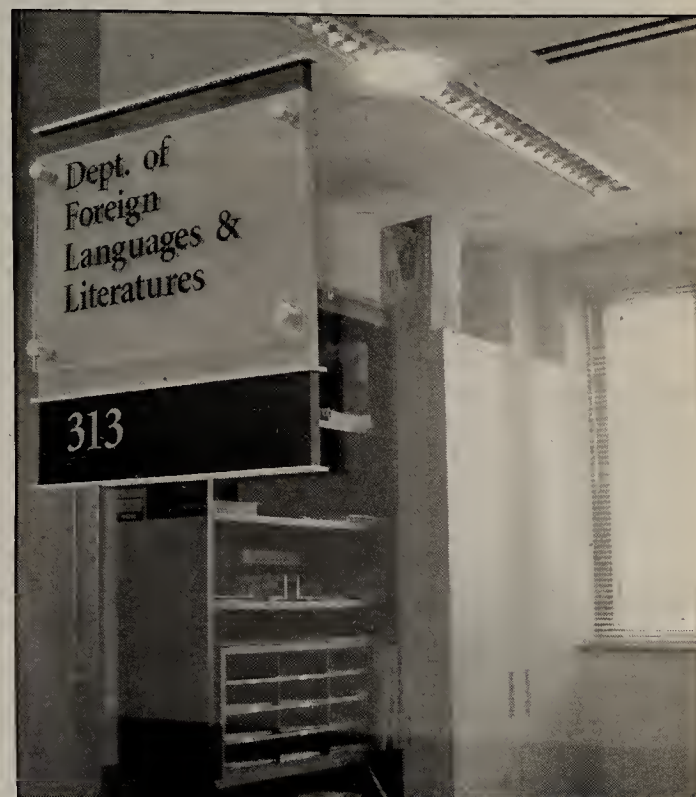
These programs were added so students feel comfortable, and to avoid non-heritage majors from feeling intimidated, Professor Carmen Torres-Robles said. The idea

is to help the non-heritage speakers feel comfortable until they can reach an advance level.

The majority of the classes in both programs are the same, and students in both the heritage and non-heritage programs will have to take the same classes. The idea behind splitting the program into two is to help out the two different types of students, said Castro-Urioste. At some point students in both programs will come together and take the same classes.

Other classes have been added to the Spanish program to help enhance the students' knowledge of Spanish-speaking countries. These courses include multicultural and multilingual experience classes, two semesters of a second language and international focus classes including International Relations, POL 130 and Governments of the World, POL 141.

All students, regardless of their major, must receive a grade of C or higher in all introductory foreign language courses before moving on to the next level. This includes Spanish, French, German and Japanese.



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The foreign language department's two new programs for Spanish International studies are offered for both fluent and non-fluent students.

Organization reaches out to help community

Patricia Mathias
Staff Writer

The Society for Human Resource Management offers students with business or psychology majors on the job experience.

SHRM, a student organization promoting the human resource profession, is a student chapter of the national organization that real businesses participate in.

SHRM offers career development opportunities including career research, planning, job search and preparation, post baccalaureate education and professional certification. It also includes linking what is taught in the classroom to the job, SHRM President Otis Brewer said.

John Lucas, the SHRM adviser, said students have realistic responsibilities working with PUC's human resources department. Many students do not receive the opportunity to do so until they are on the job, he said.

Students can prepare for the job during interviewing and resume workshops offered every year. There will be a career development workshop Sept. 27 where experienced HR professional guests speak.

SHRM went on job visits last semester to the Lawshe building

and Alverno Clinical Laboratories. Student officers will attend the National SHRM conference in Las Vegas this June and the next one will be right here in Chicago.

SHRM stays involved in the community by volunteering at soup kitchens, distributing food baskets during Thanksgiving and fundraising for local charities.

This past August they raised money for the Carmelite Home for Girls in East Chicago by selling 180 hotdogs. On Oct. 27 they plan to have a Halloween pizza party for the girls at the Carmelite home. In November they will be at St. Maria Goretti volunteering in the food pantry.

"The most gratifying benefit that SHRM offers is the intrinsic satisfaction of helping others through our community service efforts," Brewer said.

Seven out of the 10 years SHRM won the Superior Merit Award and received seven other awards. They range from most active community service to the best student organization award.

Students interested in joining can visit
life.calumet.purdue.edu/shrm/mission.htm

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Labor Day means a day of rest, not work



Jessica Cochran
Entertainment Editor

Last week I had a professor ask how many students worked on Labor Day, and over half the class raised their hand. He just shook his head and said "Isn't that ironic."

And it was.

The last time I checked, Labor Day is a day to honor those who work, right? Both blue collar and white collar workers, as far as I'm concerned.

Why then do millions of people end up spending an eight-hour day or longer sitting in an office or pacing on a job site during a day set aside to honor the work force?

It doesn't make sense. There was a time when businesses were closed every holiday and even on Sundays – or so I've been told by my grandparents. It hasn't been in my lifetime, at least not from when I can remember.

Whatever happened to that? It started first with Sundays disappearing, and now holidays in the retail world are slowly fading away as well.

At the last place I worked the only days the store was closed was on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, which is fairly common these days, and I guess I was lucky to get those two days off. I won't mention where I work currently, but when I started the job eight months ago one of the perks was receiving every holiday off with pay.

Yet corporate decided to make a little change this month, and insisted we all work Labor Day.

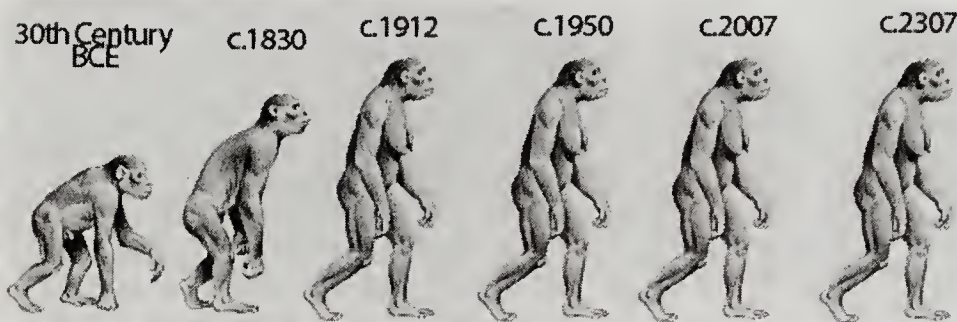
It is the first holiday our store has ever worked, and it was instituted so there was no confusion as to which stores would be open and in what regions. But it just seems strange that the first holiday we had to work was the one holiday all workers should have off.

We literally received hundreds of calls that Monday asking if we were open and surprised when we answered the phone. But it's not very rare anymore to see businesses open on Labor Day, let alone most holidays.

I even had old men laugh and say it was a shame that we had to work – but they were out doing the shopping so of course there would be somebody doing the selling.

As far as I'm concerned, as long as people are spending money and not spending time with family or friends, corporations will keep their stores open. It's pure profit.

Evolution of Discrimination



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Are our rights being taken away?

The issue: First amendment rights

Our opinion: To have respect for others diversity

Nothing is more important than knowing and understanding a person's Amendment rights, especially the Bill of Rights. Wars have raged, bullets taken and lives lost for the safe upkeep of these rights.

The first amendment guarantees the right to pick a religion and freely worship. It separates church and state, making sure a person's beliefs are not subject to scrutiny because of their religious affiliation or political thoughts.

The first amendment allows The Chronicle opportunity to write the truth and offer it to the public without fear of censorship.

Everyone has the right to be their own unique person; to speak about controversial issues and to protest.

In other countries, people disappear or face imprisonment for doing these acts.

Nelson Mandela spent almost thirty years in prison because he

wouldn't allow his words to be silenced by the heavy hand of government oppression.

These are the simple rights that allow America to be the country it is. Today our heads are flooded with school, work, family, friends and media.

Sometimes we forget just how much they have an impact on life, everyday events like choosing what clothes to wear become a mundane task. We should rejoice in the option of choosing for ourselves how we wish to be represented.

We do have a part in making sure our rights never become overshadowed by threat. There is a simple solution to help stop oppression. The answer is respect.

Of course, people will not agree with each other all the time, but they don't have to. No one is forced to believe something they choose not to, we have the freedom of belief.

Everyone's thoughts, opinions and beliefs deserve respect.

Regardless of the lawsuit details, Jeffrey Ford's case is an example of why respect is needed. Ford has the right to believe in any religion he wants without persecution. It is okay not to believe in his choices, but they are still his to be made and therefore deserve respect.

As citizens, as people, we don't have to agree, but we must tolerate and acknowledge different ways of life. If we cannot respect, then we won't in return be respected.

We are a college community. College is supposed to be a time where we find out where we stand in this world and start looking at it through fresh informed eyes. College is a time for us to grow out of old judgements, erase racist thoughts, outgrow stereotypes and explore other ways of thinking. None of this can be achieved without respect.

People need to embrace diversity

Linda Merrick
Managing Editor



PUC is a growing school. There are many new students here, both foreign and domestic, who have a very diverse background.

Diversity consists of several different aspects of how a person looks like or how they may live. Religion, skin color and even the way we eat makes humans diverse.

In light of the growing diversity in the U.S. and PUC, people need to keep in mind to not be prejudice. There have been lawsuits against universities throughout the U.S. over diversity issues.

Many companies today are trying to incorporate knowledge about diversity in the work force through seminars about diversity. As an education major, I have been through a diversity class as well learning about dealing with diversity issues in many other classes.

I call myself a Christian, and am pretty religious in many respects. My religion is very different from mainstream Christianity, though. I keep many Jewish holy days and attend church on Saturdays. Many are quick to assume I'm either Jewish or Seventh Day Adventist.

I find knowledge about the many religions and backgrounds very important in the world today. I don't think everyone fully understands these differences people have.

I've had problems in the past with my religion. People have looked down on me because of it, and once gotten kicked out of a class for observing the Feast of Tabernacles. By observing the Feast of Tabernacles, I had to miss a little over a week of classes. This was not tolerated according to the syllabus for that class. But I will not dwell on the past.

While walking up the back stairs of the SUL, I decided to have a look up at the skylight that leads to the roof. On this very dirty and dusty skylight was the Nazi symbol known as the swastika.

I couldn't believe my eyes.

There are people in this very diverse area who are closed-minded or else they are just being ignorant. That symbol is still there; no one has cleaned it off.

That was the only one I saw on campus, but driving down Route 30 I saw another swastika symbol spray painted on the side of a concrete wall.

It's hard to comprehend that people just can't embrace others diversity. I find other cultures and religions extremely fascinating to learn about. We need to learn how to live with those who are different from us. We need to just deal with the fact that everyone is unique in their own way.

The day there is "peace on earth" will be a very happy day for me.

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Poles to pink boas, gym offers all

Flirty Girl Fitness offers women a unique alternate to ordinary exercise programs

Jessica Cochran
Entertainment Editor

Where can a woman learn the art of pole dancing, belly dancing, boxing and the hippest MTV choreography — all while getting into great shape?

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"The whole point is to make you feel sexy and gain confidence," said Laura Windt, Flirty Girl Fitness publicist.

This facility offers everything from the art of coyote ugly and chair stripteases to cardio cabaret and hula hoop'lah. Women dress and play the part while learning a few sexy moves and gaining a well-deserved workout.

Flirty Girl Fitness creator Kerry Knee and her sister started the program in December 2005 in Toronto after the sisters watched an episode of Oprah when Teri Hatcher stripteased. Knee wanted to learn, but found no local place available.

After buying a pole and teaching herself to dance, the sisters opened up the fitness club and people flocked to it, Windt said.

"The whole point is to make you feel sexy and gain confidence."

-Laura Windt, publicist

"All of the trainers are normal women," said Windt. "There's no supermodels or strippers. [Flirty Girl Fitness] is there to promote fitness and to make women want to workout."

There's more to do at the facility than just break a sweat. Flirty Girl Fitness presents a nail bar, health cafe and licensed bar. Women can get both a manicure and massage while lounging on the sun deck sipping cocktails or smoothies.

What more could a woman want?

Drop-in classes, four-week sessions, workshops and private or group lessons are available. Flirty Girl Fitness also organizes and hosts bachelorette, birthday, at home and flirty girl night out parties that would spice up any event.

The online boutique offers fitness videos for in-home use as well as a complete package with a removable and adjustable fitness pole.

There's no need to repeat the tedious and boring exercise programs most women are familiar with.

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For more information on Flirty Girl Fitness visit:

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First Lawnapalooza experiences low turnout

Jeff Wozniak
Staff Writer

PUC held its first Lawnapalooza Friday. The outdoor music event, featuring local band Rare Groove, was sparsely populated and overrun by mosquitos.

Sponsored by Student Activities, Lawnapalooza replaced last year's Peregrine Fest and took place on the north side of SUL.

Free popcorn was provided, while some patrons brought dinner in picnic baskets.

Due to the threat of rain and the confusion it caused, the band wasn't able to set up or begin performing until half an hour later than scheduled. The event was moved to Alumni Hall at the prospect of rain, and then back outside.

In order to make up for the delay, the band snuck in a final Santana medley at the time they were supposed to stop.

Rare Groove played a wide variety of music ranging from '70s

funk, R&B and classic rock to covers of more contemporary songs.

The band, composed mostly of local musicians, featured Melissa Agosto, PUC adviser, administrator and adjunct instructor, on lead vocals — walked out and danced with various members of the audience throughout the show.

Rare Groove was heard by roughly 30 people congregated in the landscaped area between Porter and SUL buildings. About half the crowd were students, the rest were members of the community or faculty.

The weather was comfortable, if a bit humid, and the atmosphere was very relaxed. The band enjoyed themselves and obviously had a fun time performing.

Despite a small crowd in attendance, the concert was a pleasant diversion from the hustle and bustle of a busy week — those who weren't too busy to attend.

Children danced, students and parents tapped their toes and everyone seemed to have a great time.



Rare Groove was able to finish their performance outside despite the threats of rain, Friday at the first Lawnapalooza, located on the north side of SUL.

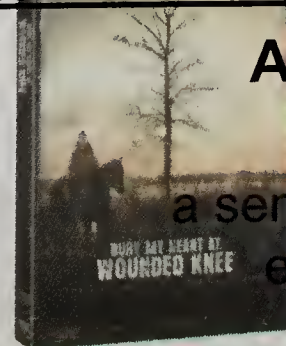
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'Halloween' starts strong, loses momentum

Jade Lee Lynch
Senior Staff Writer

"Halloween" (1978) was a horror classic by the legendary John Carpenter starring Jaime Lee Curtis as the innocent but resourceful Laurie Strode, sister of masked murderer Michael Myers. There have been a whole host of sequels, some clever in their own right and some absolutely ridiculous.

It was both disappointing and angering that a new one was created — there are some films that can never be recaptured or modernized successfully. As most other horror fans would agree, "Halloween" is one of those films.

But if any young writer/director knows 1970s horror, it's Rob Zombie.

Unfortunately, Zombie seems to have trouble doing anything inventive with modern horror.

Zombie's "Halloween" opens with a look at the environment in which a murderer is made. Sherrie Moon Zombie (Baby in Zombie's "House of 1000 Corpses" and "The Devil's Rejects") plays Michael's clueless mother — a stripper with no parenting skills but a fair amount of love for her twisted son. While the character



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Rob Zombie's "Halloween" has a brilliant beginning, but after the "15 Years Later" mark goes downhill and leaves something to be desired at the end.

concept is interesting — after all, there was never any information about Michael's parents in the original — her flat acting turns what could have been a beautifully sad role into a caricature somewhat reminiscent of a less homicidal version of Baby, 10 years later.

Michael's step-dad, Ronnie (William Forsythe), is an abusive jerk. His older sister, Judith (Hanna Hall), is neglectful of her younger brother and — like the rest of the family — missing all the signs that something is terribly wrong with young Michael.

The beginning, still set in the 1970s and punctuated by a clever soundtrack (Blue Oyster Cult's "Don't Fear the Reaper" has rarely been used better), is what we expect and love from Zombie. It's violent, but menacingly and interestingly so, and intelligent.

The cinematography by Phil Parmet is remarkable (throughout the entire film) — choppy, out of focus shots during highly violent scenes heighten the experience, like seeing the images through crazed eyes.

The plot from the original remains — Michael kills most of his family on Halloween night and is placed in an institution where he is analyzed by Dr. Loomis (played more sympathetically by Malcolm McDowell).

Once the "15 Years Later" hits the screen, everything goes downhill.

The plot becomes formulaic, the killings are predictable and fairly unimaginative and the setting is far more 2007 than the 1990s.

Scout Taylor-Compton is no Jaime Lee Curtis — she spends far more time screaming than thinking. Her friends Annie (Danielle Harris) and Lynda (Kristina Klebe) are so oversexed, inappropriately vulgar and annoying that it's nearly impossible to care what's coming to them.

A brilliant beginning makes the film worth watching, but "Halloween" certainly leaves something to be desired.

Bean Counters, trendy spot for local music scene

Amandali Nieves
Staff Writer

Looking for a local spot where people of all ages hang out and listen to local music while sipping on smoothies? Bean Counters Coffee House is that place.

Along with a wide variety of beverages, deli-style foods and snacks, Bean Counters is a relaxing environment where residents of surrounding areas may go and enjoy live music and open mic nights. Bean Counters can also be rented out for parties.

"We have a lot of friends in the area who support us. And it's nearby home so it's cool to hang."

Austin Neely, drummer

The beanery is one of the leading NWI venues for local and national music acts. Some regular local bands include The Elation and Dear Noel.

The Elation's drummer Austin Neely explained that Bean Counters is close to the bands hometowns in the south Chicago suburbs.

"We have lots of friends in the

area who support us," Neely said. "And it's nearby to home so it's cool to hang [there]."

Past well-known bands that have played the beanery are Spitalfield, Fear Before The March of Flames, The New Atlantic, The Hush Sound, The Honorary Title and 1997.

After the Fear Before the March of Flames show, the beanery no longer allowed hardcore bands to honor the Bean Counters stage.

According to new owner Jim DelValle, the crowds can get pretty rowdy with the dancing and moshing. Bean Counters is too small to condone such activities with a maximum of 250 people.

Like all places, Bean Counters has drawbacks.

The stage is smaller than average. While some bands try to deal and perform on stage, others prefer to use the floor.

There's also only one bathroom and it's not uncommon to wait in line when big-name bands play.

The prices on most items are decent, with the exception of Vitamin Water — which is priced a dollar more than most grocery stores. Otherwise, drinks and combo meals cost less than \$4. The highest you'll pay is \$5.25 — a good



Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Bean Counters Coffee House is a local all ages hangout. Offering beverages, deli-foods and live music, Bean Counters sells itself as a place to escape the hassles of everyday life.

price for quality deli-style foods.

Bean Counters sells itself as a place to escape the hassles of everyday life, with a flat screen television, board games, free wi-fi internet and a staff that is constantly

tending to the cleanliness.

Bean Counters was recently renovated with green and brown decor and various band flyers, funky art and cozy couches and lounge chairs.

The beanery is a good time with friends when club-hopping and house parties aren't your thing. Having the chance to party like a rock star with rock stars sounds like a deal.

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Who Said It?

"Life's not worth living without a movie camera."

Last week's answer: **Dane Cook**

Jade Says Wii adventures

**Jade Lee
Lynch**
Senior Staff
Writer



My husband and I just bought a Wii, a compact yet stylish Nintendo next-gen video game system with most games requiring you to wave the controller (that looks like a remote control) around like a monkey flinging bananas.

After missing the pre-orders, we wandered into Target the other night and happened on to a whole pile of Wiis just waiting for purchase.

This was far more exciting to him than to me – we also have an X-Box 360, which not only has better graphics and a superior roster of games, but also a controller you can use like a civilized human being.

It turns out the Wii is far more player-friendly than it looks. The controller is fairly easy to use except when games purposely complicate it (such as in "WarioWare Smooth Moves," where you have to do everything from dancing while spanking yourself with the controller to holding it to your face like an elephant's trunk).

"Wii Sports" is my new guilty pleasure. How else can you (physically) play tennis, baseball, golf and bowling in your bedroom – alone or with friends – at 2 a.m. without waking your neighbors?

And the Wii is cute – not just because the actual console is tiny and somewhat reminiscent of a wireless router, but because you can design an avatar for game play called your Mii. You can make your Mii actually look like yourself – or have fun creating goofy-looking (or spoozy-looking, with caricatures of celebs) Miis to play with.

The Wii may not have as many titles as the other next-gen systems, but there is plenty of downloadable content in the way of older Nintendo games (which you can purchase with Wii Points). Still, the Wii is not without its major titles – and I look forward to the Wii's take on the "Resident Evil" franchise in October.

I'm not saying I'll ever give up my X-Box 360, but I can enjoy a game of tennis or bowling, then check the weather (in Hammond, California or Guam, for that matter), which is at least as amusing as convenient.

Collegeboredom.com, helping students unwind

Kristen Hannagan
Staff Writer

The Internet could be described as a vast wasteland of things to do under the influence of boredom.

Collegeboredom.com has cornered the market on a specific type – college boredom.

The tagline for the site is "home of bored college students." While not a literal home, collegeboredom.com could find the way into college students' hearts as a spot to unwind from the daily grind.

The home page is pretty plain. The left and right sides have the various categories of what is available on the site.

The middle of the page features glimpses of what to expect on the site: random quotes, videos, optical illusions and icons for your

buddy list.

Though the front page may not look like much, the old saying holds true – "it's what's on the inside that counts." While sections are lacking, collegeboredom.com is worth a look.

Looking for a new away message? The "AIM Away Messages" feature has over 250. Messages range from "random" ("If you tickle a cow, will milk come out of its nose?") to "general" ("Is this away message annoying yet?").

Beyond jokes and away messages, dorm room decorating ideas are available. While some of the pictures do not provide details of how the room was set up, the picture speaks a thousand words and provides inspiration.

There is also a chat section if you want to let out your pent-up frustrations about your roommate or housemate.

For those who love to cook – or

need to learn how – "College Cooking" breaks it down into three basic categories: appliance free, stove top and microwave cooking. Unfortunately, the appliance free and stove top section do not have recipes, but offers recipes in its microwave section for macaroni and cheese, meatballs and a dessert dish called "sweet apple."

The site is driven by user submissions and the "How you can help" section explains how to do so. The section lists ways to help by submitting comics, reviews, links and other ideas to help put more information on the page.

The site also provides a link to sell old school books or exchange with others, and if more collegeboredom.com is craved there is also a mailing list.

Remember, the site is user driven, so a viewer only gets what they give.

TiVo for everyone



**Mike
Schaefer**
Production
Manager

Media Center PC's are a sensation sweeping the nation.

Imagine using your TV and a remote to navigate through your entire DVD collection and being able to play a movie without dealing with disks.

Or try to imagine hosting a get-together where you can play the music through a home theater and change the music from your living room rather than going to your PC to do it. You can even get an off-air HD antenna to receive high-definition channels and record them to your PC to watch later, essentially having a TiVo without buying the name.

As far as equipment goes, you can build a media-ready PC for roughly \$800. Sounds steep, but with everything you can do with it, it's worth it.

Picking out the hardware can be a little frustrating, mostly because specific TV tuner cards don't work with what everyone is looking for. However you can Google search and find some very useful websites to help guide you through building the PC itself.

There are also media center options you can buy through major computer manufacturers like HP, Dell or Gateway. By going through a retailer, you wouldn't have to deal with assembling and hunting for software since it's included on the machine itself.

After the hardware side of a media PC is figured out, next is the elusive hunt of finding the perfect software for your needs. If you get Vista, any edition but the basic version, you automatically have Windows Media Center – which has the best interface compared to everything else I've used. On the down side, it doesn't support the import of DVD's directly from the interface and doesn't allow for much customization of any kind.

If you stick with XP or Linux, definitely stick with a program called Media Portal. This free little gem allows for complete customization of the interface and allows for much more. Since it's an open source, there are tons of people writing plug-ins and automation software that makes your media PC efficient and nice looking at the same time.

If you have some extra cash or a decent running computer that has turned into a paperweight, look into turning it into a Media Center PC.



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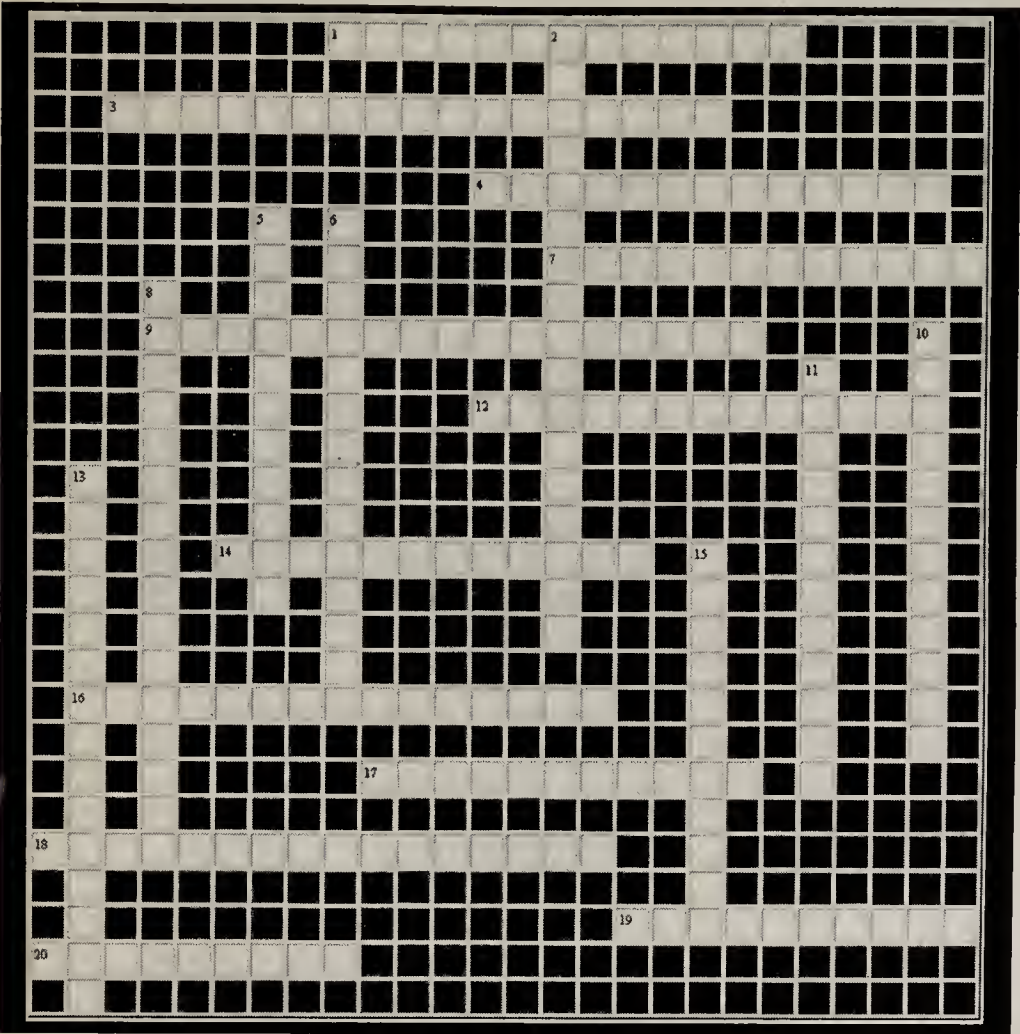
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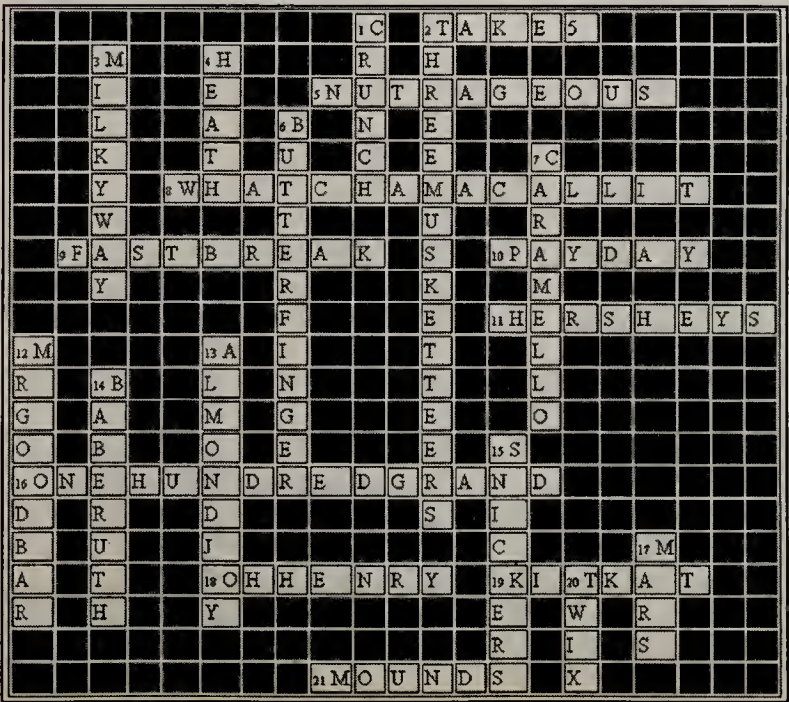
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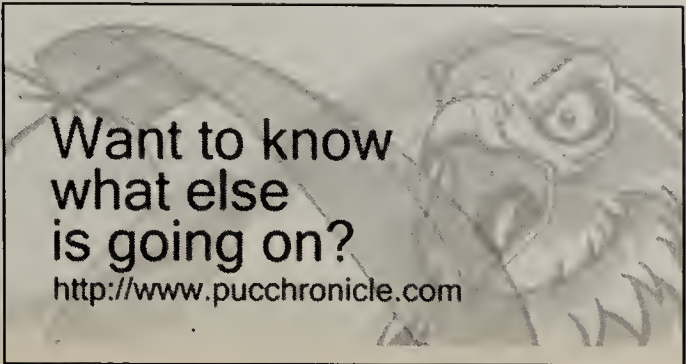
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Last week's answers



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Wild National League Central down to the wire



Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

It seems like no one wants to take control of the NL "comedy" Central.

The Cubs held the lead for weeks now, but the Brewers have taken over first and Cardinals are within a game of the Cubs.

The Cubs so far lived up to their reputation of being Completely Useless By September, winning only three of eight as of Saturday.

Lou Pinella is a mess, and is experiencing what Cubs baseball really is. The Cubs faltered in the past week, losing three out of four in a big series with the Dodgers. With those three losses, neither the Brewers nor the Cardinals could take over first place.

It seems like if one loses, they all lose and no one gains ground.

For the Brewers, the return of pitcher Ben Sheets has them playing above .500 baseball. The Brewers climbed their way back into a tie with the Cubs. Plan on the Brewers sticking around.

The Cardinals had the spark of Rick Ankiel. He helped anchor the Cardinals back into the race and has them in the hunt — and possibly winning the division.

There is no doubt this race is going down to the wire. The Cubs

and Cardinals have a critical five games remaining against each other.

The Cubs clearly have the easiest schedule by looking at the remaining schedule for all three teams — playing teams below .500 and in their division.

The Cubs haven't fared well against the teams they play, for the rest of the year. The only team the Cubs play — whom they own a winning record against — is the Cardinals.

The Brewers have the toughest road to a division title. They have series against the Atlanta Braves, the Cardinals and finish the season with a four game home stand against the San Diego Padres. The Brewers should be able to stick around with the team pitching well, as Prince Fielder is tearing the cover off the ball at the right time.

The Cardinals have the best chance to win the division since they have series against both the Cubs and the Brewers.

The final three weeks of this season are going to be fun to watch. It will be interesting to see if the Cubs can hold on for the rest of the season or do what they do best and fold. The Brewers will certainly stick around but I don't see them winning. The Cardinals fate is in their hands. My predication: Cardinals win the division by three games.

Johnson earns top seed

Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

The Chase for the Nextel Cup is set.

Jimmie Johnson secured his spot as the top seed, winning his second straight race and racing to his season best sixth victory of the season, winning the Chevy Rock and Roll 400 at Richmond International Speedway. Johnson has been near flawless this season.

Johnson is happy to be hitting the stride at this point in the season according to an interview with ESPN. He believes this momentum will hold off the other 11 challengers in the Chase.

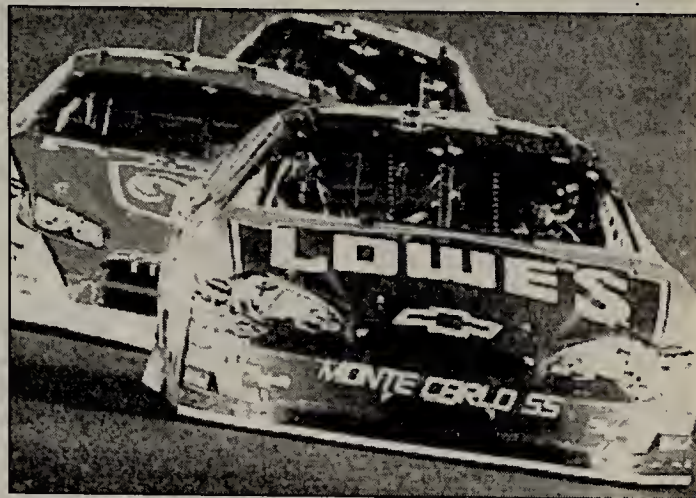
Johnson didn't gain control of the race until the last 100 laps of the 400. He now can look to win back-to-back Nextel Cups.

Johnson is atop of the 12 drivers to make the cut for the Chase. Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart, Kurt Busch and Carl Edwards round out the top five of the list.

Gordon is a four-time series champ and is seeded just 20 points behind Johnson. Stewart missed the Chase last year, but made the cut this year and is just 30 points behind Johnson.

Stewart is excited to be back in the Chase after missing it last year according to an interview with ESPN.

Kevin Harvick locked up the 12th spot in the Chase by finishing 7th at Richmond.



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Jimmie Johnson (Lowe's car) is the top seed in the Chase for the Nextel Cup. The Chase for the Cup begins Sept. 16 at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Not part of the Chase for the second time in three years will be one of NASCAR's most popular drivers Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Earnhardt's disappointing season came to an end at Richmond Saturday. He was the only driver mathematically eligible to race into the chase.

Earnhardt was in the top three late in the race, but his engine blew with six laps remaining in the race, finishing 30th and ending his season.

He would have needed some other help too. Earnhardt needed to win the race and have Kevin Harvick finish 34th. Harvick finished seventh, and he is on the outside looking in.

Earnhardt expressed his disappointment not just for himself

but also for his team. Earnhardt is upset he couldn't do more for the fans according to an interview with ESPN.

Not making the Chase means Earnhardt won't win a championship with the company he drives for, Dale Earnhardt Inc., his late father's company. Earnhardt will have to look forward to winning with his new company next year, Hendrick Motorsports.

The Chase is now on. The drivers will now compete 10 races to determine the Nextel Cup champion.

The Chase will begin Sunday, Sept. 16 at New Hampshire International Speedway and conclude Sunday, Nov. 18 at Home-stead Miami Speedway.

The next karate kid



Chronicle photo by Rick Balutewicz

Second-year public relations major, Jena Dines, prepares for a kick brought on by junior biology major, Marisa Fernandez during a self-defense class in the gym.

NATIONAL LAMPOON SPORTS MINUTE OR SO

We can't predict the future, but we'd like to wish Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr good luck on the new job he'll probably have soon.

NFL coaches Mike Nolan and Jack Del Rio will be outfitted exclusively by suit maker Joseph Abboud this year. Unfortunately for Bill Belichick, Abboud does not create oversized sweatshirts.

The son of Philadelphia Eagles coach Andy Reid has been charged with drugs and a DUI. Who does this kid think he is, a football player?

Speaking of drunk, the Tampa City Council will not allow the Buccaneers to sell hard liquor at Raymond James Stadium. Clearly, the city council has never had to sit through an entire Buccs game.

Tough break for the Minnesota Timberwolves. A bum shoulder from a jet skiing accident could cause Mark Madsen to miss three

months. Only three months. The Wolves are currently trying to negotiate a torn ACL.

In other injury news, one of Canada's top gymnasts broke both his legs while practicing, forever silencing anyone who'd ever wished him luck.

And 1967 Masters champion Gay Brewer died at age 75, still hating his parents. But ironically loving beer. Gay Brewer. We had no idea Mike Piazza had been traded to Milwaukee.

- Written by Steve Hofstetter, Adam Hofstetter, Cody Marley, Ryan Murphy, Elliot Steingart, and Chris Strait

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'Golden Boys' on their way to Beijing

Ryan Metz

Assistant Sports Editor

American basketball took a mighty step towards winning back supremacy in Las Vegas securing an Olympic bid with its advancement through the Federation International Basketball Association Olympic qualifying tournament.

Team USA defeated Argentina 118-81 on Sept. 2 to capture the gold. The Americans were without a gold medal in their last three major events: the 2004 Olympics in Sydney and 2002 and 2006 world championships.

The Americans averaged 116.7 points in the tournament and had an average margin of victory of about 40 points.

According to an interview from ESPN, LeBron James feels like the team can't be any better than they already are. He also feels they can't shoot or pass any better

than they have been.

Carmelo Anthony led team USA with 21.2 points per game while playing a sparse 19.4 minutes a game.

Jason Kidd was the starting point guard who displayed leadership and maturity for a young US squad. Kobe Bryant, the other guard, told coaches he wanted to guard the opponent's best player.

The starting forwards were manned by James and Anthony who displayed their usual talent. In the middle stood 6'11" 265 pound Dwight Howard who shot a tournament high 78 percent from the field.

Duke Coach, Mike Krzyzewski, guided a revamped team after being named head coach last year by U.S. team director of basketball, Jerry Colangelo.

Colangelo, the former Phoenix Suns owner, rebuilt the American team after struggles in international play and criticism of the Americans play, which featured

lackluster defense and poor outside shooting.

Krzyzewski was hand picked by Colangelo to guide the soothing egos of NBA superstars and shown the ability to earn complete respect from the players.

This U.S. team has quickly drawn comparisons to the 1992 original Dream Team — led by Michael Jordan, Larry Bird and Magic Johnson. The group steamrolled through their competition in Barcelona en route to winning the gold and were frequently spotted after games giving out autographs to their opponents.

According to an interview from ESPN, Coach Krzyzewski wants the team to look towards the future and not let the comparisons to the other team affect their focus. He believes the past is the past and this team will make their own mark in history.

The current team will certainly face stiffer competition in Beijing, China, where the 2008 Olympics



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One of the stars of team USA, LeBron James, helped lead the team to a 10-0 record in the FIBA World Championship. Team USA now has sights set on olympic gold in Beijing.

will take place from Aug. 8 to Aug. 24.

The defending Olympic gold winner, Argentina, sent a watered-down team to Las Vegas that was

without stars Manu Ginobili and Andres Nocioni. Other teams are sure to be in contention at Beijing will be Spain, Greece, Italy and China.

Intramurals this week

Home Run Derby

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 10

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Fitness & Rec. Center Gym

Entry deadline: Sept. 12

We will be using wiffleballs

Extreme Dodgeball

Date: Thursday, Sept. 13

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Fitness & Rec. Center Gym

No pre-registration required.

Just show up and play!

Pro Sports Notebooks



New York Yankee third basemen Alex Rodriguez hit his major league-leading 52nd home run of the season on Sunday. Rodriguez is having the best season of his career and is a lock for American League MVP.

Chicago Cubs' right-hander Carlos Zambrano (15-12) got his first victory Saturday since signing his \$91.5 million contract extension last month. His win snapped his career-worst, five-game losing streak.

The Chicago White Sox and the Minnesota Twins made history on Friday. Both teams tied at four in the ninth and at the end of the ninth tied at 10. It is the first time two teams scored at least six runs in the ninth after being tied and the game still tied after the ninth.

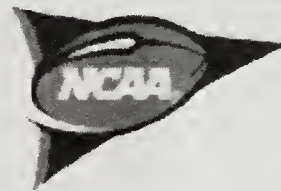
Toronto Blue Jay Troy Glaus and St. Louis Cardinal Rick Ankiel have both been linked to performance-enhancing drugs they received from a Florida-based pharmacy. Glaus reportedly received multiple shipments of performance-enhancing steroids in 2003 and 2004.



The NFL season kicked off last Thursday as the Indianapolis Colts defeated the New Orleans Saints 41-10. Safety Bob Sanders and the Colts defense didn't allow a touchdown to the Saints highly skilled offense.

The overall No. 1 pick in the 2007 draft, JaMarcus Russell is reportedly close to signing his rookie deal. Russell held out all of training camp and pre-season and missed considerable time for learning.

Rookie NBC football analyst and former Giants running back Tiki Barber told the New York Post that the reason he retired after last season was because of his displeasure with Coach Tom Coughlin. This is coming after the recent comments Barber made about Giants quarterback Eli Manning and his lack of leadership skills.



Michigan and Notre Dame both lost last Saturday to put their records at 0-2. It is the first year in college football history that both teams have begun the year 0-2. Fortunately, one of the teams will win on Saturday as they meet in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Washington defeated No. 22 Boise State 24-10, ending the nation's longest winning streak at 14 games. The Boise State Bronco's last loss was in their 2005 bowl game.

No. 2 LSU beat No. 9 Virginia Tech 48-7 at Baton Rouge, La. Saturday night. The LSU Tigers defense, arguably the nation's fastest and best, looked impressive in the victory.

Hawaii quarterback Colt Brennan led his Warriors to a 45-44 over-time victory at Louisiana Tech. Brennan, the heisman dark-horse threw for 546 yards along with his four touchdown passes.

No. 17 Auburn was upset by South Florida in overtime. Auburn was one of five ranked teams to lose last Saturday.



San Antonio Spur point guard Tony Parker scored 23 points and France defeated Germany 78-66 Saturday at the Euro Games in Madrid, Spain on Saturday. Germany was led by Dallas Maverick forward Dirk Nowitzki's 28 points.

Long-time Chicago Bulls head coach Phil Jackson was one of seven legends inducted into the Hall of Fame on Friday. Jackson has 10 NBA championships.

Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban will be participating in the hit ABC show "Dancing with the Stars."

After still being unsigned by any teams, Gary Payton is pondering his future in the NBA. Payton has been in the NBA for 17 years. Payton is expected to make his decision in the coming week.

Heat center Shaquille O'Neil is getting divorced with his wife.

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& Wednesday
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The Purdue University Calumet **Criminal Justice Club** is having its general meeting of the semester this **Thursday (9/13)**

We will be talking about all of our **plans for this semester** and next.

Please **join us** if you are interested, **any majors** are welcome!

The meeting is in **CLO 135 at 8:45 a.m.** For more info email **thepuccjclub@yahoo.com**

Dodgeball kicks off fall intramurals

Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

The fall season of intramurals officially kicked off last Thursday in the gym with the first of two nights of extreme, open-play dodge ball. Over 20 people came throughout the night to participate in the "prison-style" game.

"It was a pretty nice turnout for the first night," Intramural Sports Coordinator Matt Dudzik said. "It always seems like everyone has fun when they play."

The rules of extreme dodge ball are just like normal dodge ball, just with a twist. Instead of going to the sidelines when a player is out, the player goes behind the opposing team, with the capability of getting the opposing team players out. If the player hits an opposing player from behind, the player is back in the game.

The balls were lined up at center court for the players to race and pick up. When the whistle blew the players ran wildly, scrambling to pick up a ball and get someone out.

Players dove all over the gym floor to grab the balls and avoid getting hit. Sweat poured from players throughout the night, creating an aroma of sweat in the gym.

"The future of my kids is in danger after this game."

Zachary Bujaki,
sophomore,
business finance

Sophomore Tom Zmuda was the first player to get hit in the face with a ball, knocking his glasses loose from his face.

"It felt pretty good to be the first to get hit in the face," he said.

Players continued to compete relentlessly, hitting other players wherever necessary to get them out. Many of the male players were hit where it hurts the most, including Zachary Bujaki, a sophomore majoring in business finance, who felt the pain on more than one occasion.

"The future of my kids is in danger after this game," he said. "It was a gruesome nightmare."

As the game went on, more players came through and joined in a few games. The core of the players was there from start to finish.

"Usually a half hour in and the kids are tired and done, but not these guys," Dudzik said. "I don't know where they get the energy from."

Wil Leary, a sophomore majoring in elementary education, participated in dodgeball last year and said he had an even better time this year. Last year Leary shed blood after he was kicked in the face. Leary enjoyed a blood-free game this year, but he was hit in the throat with a ball.

"The game is a lot more enjoyable when you don't get kicked in the face," he said. "But getting hit in the throat is no fun."

The game neared its end, but not before the first serious injury of the night. On a scramble for the balls, Don Dixon, a freshman majoring in engineering, was kneed in the side of the head. Dixon dropped to the ground immediately, rolling around in pain.

"It hurt, but it felt good to be the first to get hurt," Dixon said.



Chronicle photo by Rick Balutewicz
Josh Melko, an engineering major, leaps to avoid a ball thrown by Justin Arvay, a sophomore nursing major.

Intramural flag football ready to begin new season

New season features both indoor and outdoor games

Joe Wielosinski
Staff Writer

It's time for football and it's not the NFL. Flag football is getting ready to begin a brand new and exciting season.

Last season, flag football was a huge success with 16 teams participating and had points where it felt like an NFL atmosphere with the fierce competition. The league last year had many high-scoring games and even a shutout. It was very competitive and this year should be no different.

Throughout its seven years of existence, teams have played all of their games in the gym. However, this season there are plans to have some games held outdoors, according to Intramural Sports Coordinator Matt Dudzik.

Dudzik feels the season will be successful with teams playing their games outside and it will offer a different experience for the teams. He also hopes the outdoor games will draw more interest from more teams.

"I'm going to be handing out a survey the first week of the season to see what times the teams will be available to play outside, if they are," Dudzik said. "If we could only get half of the teams to play outside, we will."

Several teams have signed up for the league thus far, but given



Chronicle file photo
Freshman biology major Phil Starkley (white shirt), chases Freshman sports medicine major Tim McCarthy as he runs for a touchdown in a game last fall. Flag football will play half of the games outdoors. The season starts Sept. 17.

the popularity of the sport, Dudzik expects many more teams to play.

"We get a lot of people who turn in the entry forms on the last day," he said.

Some of the returning teams from last season include last years Flag Football Bowl Champions Sofa King, Fantastic 4 and the Untouchables. The Untouchables put up the only shutout of the season last year, something that is rare in flag football.

Second year player Justin Arvay, a sophomore majoring in nursing, plays for the Untouchables and looks forward to the upcoming season.

"I have a new team this year, and I had a whole lot of fun last season," said Arvay. "I'm also really looking forward to playing outside."

Although there are no rule changes, Dudzik said the main thing he thinks the league will do

this year is be stricter.

"We were too lenient last season. Maybe we would just kick someone out of the game," said Dudzik. "If they get out of hand, they're done," said Dudzik.

Overall, Dudzik said he is hoping for a very fun and competitive season.

"I just hope everyone has fun and behaves. Some people take it way too serious. They just need to relax and have fun," he said.

Flag football begins on Sept. 17. Games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Fitness and Recreation Center Gym. The entry deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 12.

For more information

Visit the Fitness and Recreation Center or visit <http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/intramurals/downloads/signupsheet.pdf>

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